

My dear Wright

I have not ~~ever~~
had "Westward for Smelts".
Mr Halliwell, I think,
must have it, as he used
part of it to illustrate "The
Merry Wives" for the S. S.
I may ^{be} however, very likely
am, mistaken.

Moreover if I had it,
I could not edit it, be-
cause part of it is indecent,

in the very Comat sense
of the word, & perhaps in
any but an antiquarian
sense.

I shall try to see with
you on Thursday next.

I should have been
at the final meeting on
Saturday but that it would
have been £20 immediately,
and £84 a year ultimately,
out of my pocket.

Yours most sincerely

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